Public Market at Udayanapuram, Vaikam.

347. *MR. V. K. VELAPPAN NAIR (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Dewan Peishkar, Kottayam, has received petitions from the people of Udayanapuram, Vadakkemuri *pakuthi*, Vaikam, for a public market there;

(*b*) whether the Government are aware that the site has been surrendered free of cost for this purpose; and

(*c*) how long it is since the matter is under consideration of the Government?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Government have already sanctioned the opening of a vegetable market on the site in question. A declaration for its acquisition has also been published in the Gazette and proceedings for the formal acquisition are in progress.

Tuberculosis Sanatorium in South Travancore.

348. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): With reference to the answer to the question reported at page 97, Vol. II, State Council Proceedings, regarding the establishment of a sanatorium in South Travancore for the treatment of tuberculosis, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the result of the consideration of the Government regarding the selection of a suitable site for the Tuberculosis Hospital;

(*b*) the action taken by the Government in the matter;

(*c*) the date of sanction, if any, for the establishment of a sanatorium in Travancore?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The report called for from the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner is awaited.

(*c*) Government have not sanctioned the establishment of a sanatorium in the State.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Recruitment of Assistant Surgeons.

1. MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state to which of the following importance is attached in the matter of recruitment of Assistant Surgeons to the Medical Department;

(*a*) communal representation,

(*b*) qualification, or

(*c*) priority of application?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): All these factors are equally important in the matter of recruitment to the Medical Department.

Recruitment to the Medical Department.

2. MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any circular to the effect that holders

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of the M. B. & B. S. are to be preferred to holders of the L. M. & S. degree?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The public Service Notification (Appendix No. 1 A under "Medical Department" in the T. S. R.) prescribes that, in entertaining new hands, M. B. & C. M. or M. B. & B. S. should have preference to L. M. & S.

Store-keeper, General Medical Stores.

3. **MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the name, qualification and salary of the present Store-keeper, General Medical Stores, Trivandrum;

(*b*) when he was appointed;

(*c*) how many applied for the post and what were their qualifications; and

(*d*) whether the authorities ascertained if the applicants for Assistant Surgeon's post were willing to accept the Store-keeper's post?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Mr. T. C. Thomas; L. M. S.; Rs. 100 per mensem.

(*b*) 25th Karkatakam 1108.

(*c*) Messrs. C. William, M. B. B. S.
T. C. Thomas, L. M. S.
S. Sankaranarayanan Unnithan, L. M. S.

(*d*) No.

Exemption from payment of toll.

4. **MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the names of officers and other persons, if any, who are exempted from the payment of toll at the P. W. D. toll-gates?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): The member is referred to pages 260 and 261 of the P. W. D. Sheet of the Travancore Government Gazette dated 10-7-1934/26-11-1109.

Confirmation of Medical Officers.

5. **MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state what is the principle followed in the Medical Department in confirming persons to the posts of (i) Deputy Surgeons, (ii) Assistant Surgeons, and (iii) Sub-Assistant Surgeons?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Seniority, merit and qualifications.

Special staff for the standardisation of printed forms.

6. **MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of offices inspected by the Special Officer for standardisation of printed forms and his staff till the end of Edavom 1109 with respective dates in chronological order;

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